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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Bertram MENZ et al

Group Art Unit: 2834

Serial No. 09/770,676

Examiner: J. Gonza Lez

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For: BASE PLATE FOR AT LEAST ONE CARBON BRUSH

AMENDMENT

Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D. C. 20231 Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 19 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as set forth below and in the attached appendix:

18. (Amended) Brush holding apparatus for at least one carbon brush comprising a base plate having a ground wall and including at least one brush guide, a spring element constructed and arranged for urging a carbon brush having a longitudinal axis parallel to the ground wall, mounted in the at least one brush guide in a direction towards a commutator or slip ring, and a retaining element mounted to the base plate adjacent to the at least one brush guide and including means



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